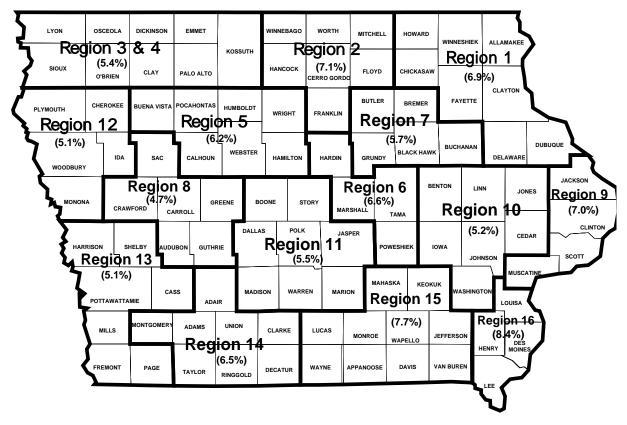
WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT REGIONS IN IOWA AVERAGE UNEMPLOYMENT RATES CALENDAR YEAR 2009



Notes:

- 1) For the past decade, Iowa's annual average unemployment rate has been substantially lower than the comparable U.S. rate.
- 2) lowa's 2009 unemployment rate of -6.0% ranked as tenth lowest in the nation.
- lowa Workforce Development Region 16 had the highest unemployment rate in the state in 2009 at 8.4%. Region 16 experienced the largest increase in the percentage of unemployed from 2008 to 2009.

Source: Labor Market and Economic Research Bureau, Iowa Workforce Development